

**Two Group of Ministers Constituted to consider the issues relating to “Incentivizing digital payments in the GST regime” & “Imposition of Cess on Sugar under GST”.**

Subsequent to the decisions taken in the 27<sup>th</sup> GST Council meeting held today (04.05.2018), two Group of Ministers (GoMs) have been constituted.

The first GoM shall consider the issues relating to “Incentivizing digital payments in the GST regime”. Shri Sushil Kumar Modi, Deputy Chief Minister, Bihar is convenor and other members of this GoM are Shri Nitinbhai Patel, Dy. Chief Minister, Gujarat; Capt. Abhimanyu, Excise & Taxation Minister, Haryana; Dr. Amit Mitra, Finance Minister, West Bengal and Shri Manpreet Singh Badal, Finance Minister, Punjab.

The Second GoM shall consider issues relating to “Imposition of Cess on Sugar under GST”. Shri Himanta Biswa Sarma, Finance Minister of Assam is convenor and other members of this GoM are Shri Rajesh Agrawal, Finance Minister, Uttar Pradesh; Shri Sudhir Mungatiwar, Finance Minister, Maharashtra; Shri D. Jayakumar, Minister for Fisheries and Personnel & Administrative Reforms, Tamil Nadu and Dr. T.M. Thomas Isaac, Finance Minister, Kerala.

Both the GoMs shall submit their reports within a period of 15 days.